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Sir or Madam:

This is responsive to the Office Action regarding compliance with requirements for patent applications containing "nucleotide sequence and/or amino acid sequence disclosures," mailed April 20, 2005, and setting a one-month period for response which ends on May 20, 2005. Please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this communication. Remarks are on page 4 of this communication.